



## PREPROPOSAL STATEMENT OF INQUIRY

**CR-101 (June 2004)**

(Implements RCW 34.05.310)  
Do **NOT** use for expedited rule making

**Agency:** Washington Department of Commerce

**Subject of possible rule making:**

Chapter 365-196 WAC, Procedural Criteria for Adopting Comprehensive Plans and Development Regulations.

**Statutes authorizing the agency to adopt rules on this subject:** RCW 36.70A.050, 36.70A.190, and RCW 36.70A.735

**Reasons why rules on this subject may be needed and what they might accomplish:** To adopt new rules guiding implementation of the Voluntary Stewardship Program (RCW 36.70A.735).

**Identify other federal and state agencies that regulate this subject and the process coordinating the rule with these agencies:**

Department of Commerce (Commerce) will develop proposed rules with the Washington Conservation Commission and a legislatively created Statewide Advisory Committee that includes other agencies and interested parties.

**Process for developing new rule (check all that apply):**

☐ Negotiated rule making

☐ Pilot rule making

☐ Agency study

☒ Other (describe) Commerce will coordinate rule development with the Washington Conservation Commission and a statewide advisory committee established by the Legislature. The public is encouraged to provide comments and recommendations on draft rules to be posted on the agency web site at [www.commerce.wa.gov/wacupdate](http://www.commerce.wa.gov/wacupdate) and distributed to the Listserv mailing list. After the amendments are proposed, the public may also participate by providing written comments and/or testimony during the public hearing and comment process.

**How interested parties can participate in the decision to adopt the new rule and formulation of the proposed rule before publication:**

For information contact Tim Gates, Growth Management Services Unit, (360) 725-3058 or [tim.gates@commerce.wa.gov](mailto:tim.gates@commerce.wa.gov). The public can participate in rule development through participation in committee meetings. After the CR-102 is filed, the public can submit written comments by e-mail to [WACupdate@commerce.wa.gov](mailto:WACupdate@commerce.wa.gov), or standard mail to WAC Update, Growth Management Services, Washington Department of Commerce, PO Box 42525, Olympia, WA 98504-2525. The project web page is [www.commerce.wa.gov/wacupdate](http://www.commerce.wa.gov/wacupdate). Commerce maintains a Listserv e-mail distribution list for those interested in receiving on-going information about this process. Instructions to register for the Listserv are available on the web page.

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